1	2	3
2001-2002	106.50	Nil
2002-2003	Nil	Nil
2003-2004	Nil	Nil
2004-2005	237.88	Nil
2005-2006	258.56	155.23
2006-07	248.85	168.66
2007-08 (upto July 07)	336.53	212.28

(b) The urea imports on government account, gross expenditure and the net subsidy paid on imported urea since 1999-2000 is as under:–

Year	Urea Imports (in lakh MT)	Gross Expenditure (Rs./ crore)	Net Subsidy (Rs./crore)
1999-2000	5.33	293.00	74.07
2000-2001	0.00	11.85	0.98
2001-2002	2.20	147.50	47.34
2002-2003	0.00	1.16	0.00
2003-2004	0.00	0.82	0.00
2004-2005	6.41	742.64	493.91
2005-2006	20.57	2164.71	1201.43
2006-07	47.19	5071.06	3274.09
2007-08 (up to July 07)	20.72	2838.19	2206.15

(c) and (d) The actual sales of urea during 2006-07 was approximately 245 lakh MT. The estimated demand during the current year 2007-08 is 276 lakh MT. The requirement of urea during 2011-12 which is the terminal year of the Eleventh plan, as estimated by the Working Group on Fertilizers is 287.50 lakh MT.

All efforts are being made to encourage. increased production indigenously to meet the projected requirement of urea.

Revival of sick/closed units

2034. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:
SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether techno economic feasibility reports are being prepared for revival of sick/closed public sector units;

(b) if so, the name of the units and the status of the TEFR;

(c) the tentative date by which the approval of the TEFR and funding of the project is likely to be completed; and

(d) the tentative date for commencement of these revival projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Action has been initiated to prepare Techno Economic Feasibiiity Reports (TEFR) in respect of the following:

(i) Closed units of Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCIL) at Talcher, Ramagundam and Gorakhpur.

(ii) Closed units of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFCL) at Durgapur and Barauni.

In respect HFCL, Haldia, FCIL, Sindri and Korba, options are being explored for preparing TEFR.

(c) and (d) The work is at a preliminary stage. As such no definite dates for finalization/approval of TEFR and funding of project could be indicated.

Amendment of AIIMS Act

2035. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to amend AIIMS Act, 1956 and also the law governing PGIMER, Chandigarh to fix tenure of their Directors; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and by when it is likely to be brought forward?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAM DOSS): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The All India Institute of Medical Sciences and the Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (Amendment) Bill, 2007 has been introduced in the Lok Sabha on 20.8.2007.

Purchase of gas

2036. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a few fertilizer companies have already signed a deal with RIL for purchasing gas;

(b) if so, what are those companies and at what rate the said agreements have been signed by them; and